

Flowering at Peak in State

LINCOLN — Nebraska's a-bloom right now with wild flowers, and the Game Commission invites every Nebraskan to share in the fun and beauty outdoors.

The blues and purples predominate in the pastures and prairies this time of year. The long spire of tall gay feather and the heavy head of purple cone flower vie with the bright purple of Russel's gentian, found in low places in the Sand Hills and in meadows along the Platte.

Yellow flowers are found in the higher drier places. Plumages of goldenrod will bloom till October. Prickly pear is underfoot in the Sand Hills and overgrazed hard lands of western Nebraska. Topping the prostrate cactus are large waxy yellow flowers. The pulpy spiny fruits this fall will taste like miniature spicy watermelons.

In eastern and central Nebraska are the butterfly weeds, otherwise known as pleuris root. The orange-headed plant is a relative of milkweeds. Daisy fleabane nods in thin or overgrazed pastures, spider-worts and dayflowers, related to the wandering Jew in flower boxes, prefer the moist soils. Wild flowers last only a few days before being replaced by another species. The many recreation areas maintained by the Game Commission are in a natural state, and loaded with flowers. Nebraskans are invited to share in this colorful heritage.

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Responsibility For Pond Safety Is Owner's

LINCOLN — If you have a pond on your farm, you have a responsibility to have the pond supervised by an adult when children play there, according to Rollin Schnieder, Extension safety specialist at the College of Agriculture.

Schnieder said that ideally you should:

- Post safety instructions for boating, swimming and skating and mark the safe swimming areas.
- Place ropes or long poles around the swimming areas.
- Allow only persons who know how to swim near your pond and encourage non-swimmers to learn how.
- Enclose your pond with a fence children can't climb.
- Clear the area of debris and rubbish.

He concluded that it is the farm pond owner's responsibility to make the pond safe.

Elmwood News

July 17, a tea was held in the Auditorium at Lincoln Veterans Hospital, honoring the Volunteer Workers. Attending from Elmwood were Mrs. Everett Brockman, Mrs. Orley Clements, and Mrs. Will Strabel. A special program, also an orientation school was held. Mrs. Strabel, ALA District president, and Mrs. Wehr, vice president, assisted in serving at the tea.

The WSCS of the Methodist Church held a bake sale and served ice cream, cake and pie July 23 at the Earl Miller bldg. in Elmwood. The proceeds to help pay expenses of youths sent to Fontenelle Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Brockman visited the former's sister at Humboldt Saturday.

Reckard Reunion A Novel Tradition

WEEPING WATER (Special) — A family reunion has been held every two years since 1930 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Reckard in Weeping Water when their seven sons and their families return home for a reunion. This year the reunion was held on the weekend of July 22.

Sunday, July 24, Mr. and Mrs. Reckard their sons and their families attended Sunday School and church at the United Missionary church.

Sunday evening the worship service was turned over to the Reckard family. Rev. Leonard Reckard gave the evening message. Two mixed quartets and one group sang selections. Fred Ward showed slide pictures at the church before the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peters and daughter of Nebraska City and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Banning and son of Union were with Mrs. John Banning Sunday to help her celebrate her birthday which was July 27.

Mrs. Maggie Slekman and Mrs. Anna Pifer of Eagle were with Mrs. Grace Cople Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cook of Roca were with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bell last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fischer and sons of Columbia, Mo., are with Mr. Fischer's parents while locating a house in Lincoln to move into. Mr. Fischer will be employed with a television company in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schiermann and family of Greenwood were with Mrs. Schiermann's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Fischer Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Haas drove to Clatonia Sunday to the home of Mr. Haas's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Krauter. A hall storm had hit their community and done considerable damage to crops. Carol Fischer spent the weekend at Eagle with Kathy Einfeldt at the John Fischer home.

Mrs. Esther Clark spent last week with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Lee Clark at Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Gartner and family of Unadilla were with Mrs. Gartner's mother, Mrs. Esther Clark Sunday.

Mrs. Grace Cople and Mrs. Lee Cople and children visited Mrs. Pat Murphy and family and Mrs. Steve Davis in Lincoln Friday afternoon getting acquainted with the new babies.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Kinney have a son born Sunday morning at the Lincoln General Hospital. He has been named Rick E. He has two sisters, Roxanne and Ronni. The girls are with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Kinney. Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Kinney moved from Alvo this spring to Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Elkerman were on the Rock Island crossing west of Murdock Sunday about 7 p.m. A freight train was close to the crossing and on applying the brakes the car was stalled on the tracks. Mr. and Mrs. Elkerman both jumped from the car and were uninjured but the car was damaged.

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NEWS FROM EAGLE

Mrs. John Fischer — Phone 7304

Mmes. A. H. Slekman and Anna Pifer visited at Alvo last Thursday afternoon at the Grace Cople home and also with Jennie Nickles.

Orris Lanning and son Jerry of Eagle and a nephew, Larry Lanning of Palmyra, attended tractor day at the University last Thursday.

Several Eagle folks attended the funeral for Mrs. Amanda Snavely, 76, at Alvo Methodist Church Thursday afternoon.

One of the trailer house families moved from the Kropp Trailer Court having been transferred for missile site construction.

Mrs. Andrew Schultze left on Monday morning for a visit with her aunt and other relatives in Chicago for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Fitzgibbons visited at her sister's, Elizabeth Taylor's home and also with her cousin, Mattie Mumford, both at Lincoln, Sunday.

Geraldine Moeller and Lila Mae Ward of Lincoln called at the home of Kathy Einfeldt on Saturday afternoon. Guests are former hospital employes with the latter and are now attending training for hospital work.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Bowne, Mrs. John Fischer, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Muenchau, Harold Wall and H. N. Erskine attended the group first quarterly conference at Waverly Methodist Church last Friday evening.

Mrs. Robert Walker Sr. returned home from the hospital last Friday after a few days hospitalization following surgery last Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Trunke visited her grandfather, David Giesbrecht, Sunday. He is 89 and has been critically ill for several days in Lincoln.

Mrs. William Heavey and four children, Michael, Patricia, John and Mark of Westgate, Omaha, visited a couple of days last week at her father's home, Henry Wolf's.

Wilbur Stall has been quite ill for several days, suffering with pneumonia.

Mrs. Theodore Hodtwalker of Grand Island visited his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rockenbach Friday. He also visited his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hodtwalker at Walton during the weekend. Mrs. Fred Hodtwalker has been ill for several months was hospitalized and returned home a few weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Pifer of Lincoln visited his mother, Mrs. Anna Pifer Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Rodaway of Eagle also called at the mother's home during the afternoon.

Mrs. Harry Vollerston and daughter Virginia of Palmyra called at the Anna Pifer home last Thursday evening.

Several members of the Trinity Lutheran Council met at the church on Wednesday evening. Dr. Young, president of United Lutheran Synod, was present and plans were made for a September meeting.

Rev. Foster Cress, pastor of the Walton Lutheran and Eagle Trinity Lutheran Churches, returned home to Walton from the hospital recently after having surgery. He is recovering satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Adams and daughters enjoyed a trip to the Black Hills, South Dakota, a few days this week, having left last Sunday morning. They planned to return the last of the week.

The WSCS will meet at the Methodist Church Aug. 3 with Mmes. Eleanor Muenchau and Sylvia Muenchau co-hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Collins of Omaha visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Westfall and Mary Lou Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phillips and grandson Bobby Manning and the latter's father, Harold Manning of Lincoln, motored to Denver for a two week visit with their daughters and Mrs. Burton and family of Denver.

Rickie and Ronnie Anderson, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Anderson of Lincoln visited a couple of days last week at their grandparents' home, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Anderson.

Ray Rockenbach of Washington, D. C., visited his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Umland at Kansas City and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rockenbach last weekend. Sunday, Roy was taken to the Omaha airport by his parents and sister-in-law, Mrs. Harry Rockenbach to board a plane for Springfield, Ill. and stop off enroute on business.

Several members of the Evening Eagles Extension Club attended a show in Lincoln last Monday evening.

Mrs. Grace Cople of Alvo visited at the home of Mrs. Anna Pifer Friday afternoon.

Duck Kill Early

LINCOLN — Duck hunters out the first 20 days of the 1959 waterfowl season took most of the ducks, reports L. P. Vance, Game Commission's chief of game.

The peak of the goose and duck drive came early last year, with frozen lakes in the Sand Hills concentrating the birds in the south-central parts of the state.

Duck hunters in the central area bagged the greatest number of ducks, almost 11 per man, while hunters in the North Platte River area and Missouri River area each scored nearly 10 ducks per man.

Republican River and Sand Hills hunters averaged eight ducks each. The northeastern and southeastern hunters fared about equally — six ducks per person for the season.

Duck stamp sales were down 22 per cent from 1958; duck hunters down 27 per cent, and state-wide duck kill down 31 per cent. The goose bag was down 29 per cent while coot hunters reported taking 56 per cent less coots. The snipe kill was up 39 per cent.

After dinner, those attending swam. Don Kemper is president, Lyell Wevers, vice president, and Ronnie Ronhovde is secretary and treasurer. Mr. and Mrs. Nuttle, Voc ag instructor, were sponsors.

The O St. Homemakers Project Club met at Mrs. Robert Bowne's home Tuesday.

The WSCS perfect attendance party was to be held today.

The Group Quarterly Conference of the Methodist Church was set for Waverly Church at 8 p. m. Friday, July 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Schultz of Watertown, Wis., visited her aunt, Mrs. Orris Lanning and family at Eagle and Mrs. Chester Bornemeier and family at Elmwood July 9. Diane Bornemeier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bornemeier, returned home with the Schultzes, having visited since her graduation from Elmwood High in May.

Mrs. Schultz is the former Rita Jo Bivens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bivens, formerly of Eagle who have lived at Oconomowoc, Wis., several years.

Last Sunday, a basket dinner was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orris Lanning honoring the out-of-state guests Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bornemeier and family of Elmwood and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Carr and family of Eagle enjoyed the day together.

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Rev. and Mrs. James Hansen and children left Sunday afternoon for California to spend their vacation of nearly three weeks. They will visit a sister of his in California who is seriously ill. They took with them a little brother and sister, a boy 6 and girl 8 whom they had just taken into their home. Next Sunday the young folks will tell of their stay in camp. Charles Marshall and Howard Pool have charge of the services. Aug. 7, Dr. Story is expected to preach. Sunday, Mrs. Richard Pratt and Mrs. W. Dennis sang a duet during services.

Sunday dinner guests at the Ed Seiker home were Harvey Meridith of Ashland and Mr. and Mrs. George Meridith of Gretna. Two of their granddaughters, Barbara and Mary Margaret Meridith of Omaha, are spending this week here.

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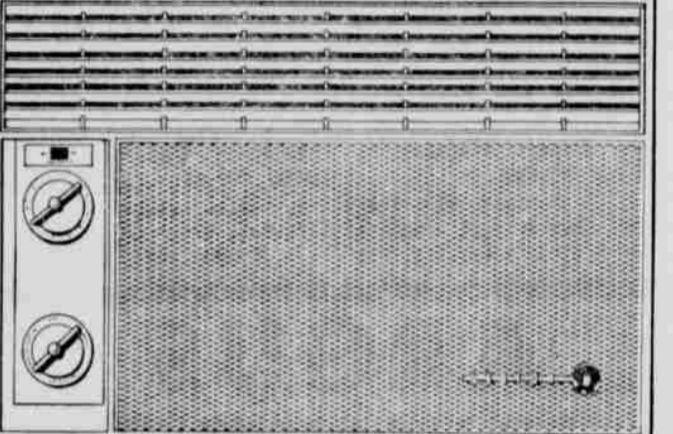
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